

Amendments of the Claims:

A detailed listing of all claims in the application is presented below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. All claims being currently amended are submitted with markings to indicate the changes that have been made relative to immediate prior version of the claims. The changes in any amended claim are being shown by strikethrough (for deleted matter) or underlined (for added matter).

1. (Currently Amended) A chain guide, comprising:

~~an elastic member; and~~

a body having a wear face comprising ~~having the elastic member disposed therein,~~
~~the wear face including~~ a first surface for contacting a chain and a second surface
opposite the first surface, ~~the first surface being disposed to contact a chain and~~
~~the second surface being in contact with the elastic member;~~

an elastic member disposed against the second surface of the wear face, biasing the
wear face toward the chain;

a retaining clip at each end of the wear face;

a seating member extending along the length of the wear face penetrating the
retaining clips and supporting the body, such that as the chain exerts force on the
chain guide, the retaining clips slide on the seating member, dampening and
absorbing ~~whereby the chain guide dampens out~~ impacts and transverse vibrations
that can affect chain control, guide wear, and bracket fatigue.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Currently Amended) The chain guide of claim 2 1, wherein the wear face further ~~comprising~~
comprises a compression stop extending from the second surface ~~and disposed to move~~
~~toward and eventually stopped by~~ the seating member.

4. (Currently Amended) The chain guide of claim 2 1, wherein the seating member ~~comprising~~ comprises a support bracket or a flange extending therefrom.
5. (Currently Amended) The chain guide of claim 2 1, wherein the seating member further ~~comprising~~ comprises a lip ~~disposed to stop any preventing~~ further sliding movement of the ~~wear face retaining clips relative to the seating member~~ resulting forces exerted thereupon by the chain.
6. (Currently Amended) The chain guide of claim 1, wherein the wear face is made of a plastic material.